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Applicants submit that the independent claims allowed are generic to all species, both elected and non-elected, of the claims as originally filed. As such, the independent claims encompass all species of membrane receptors and reporter proteins as presented in the original claims.

The above was discussed with Examiner Saunders during a telephone interview on November 17, 2005, and the Examiner confirmed this characterization of the claims as allowed.

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